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This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 9/13/04 in the above-identified application.

☒ One month ☐ Two months ☐ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months

from: 12/14/04 until: 1/13/05
Date *Date*

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 -	20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$120.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$120.00

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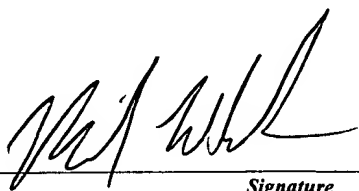
**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)**

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of _____ for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. **09-0457 (IBM)** in the amount of **\$120.00**
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **09-0457 (IBM)**
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **09-0457 (BM)** .
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

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